

## Stroke rehabilitation (update) Guideline Committee meeting 6

**Date:** 17/9/2021

**Location:** Remote meeting

**Minutes:** Final

<b>Committee members present:</b>	
Jon Brown (Chair)	Present for notes 1 – 6
Elizabeth Warburton (Topic adviser)	Present for notes 1 – 6
Khalid Ali	Present for notes 1 – 6
Jacqueline Benfield	Present for notes 1 – 6
Mark Cadman	Present for notes 1 – 6
Stephen Hill	Present for notes 1 – 5
Chandrika Kaviraj	Present for notes 1 – 6
Nicola Moran	Present for notes 1 – 6
Sarah Paterson	Present for notes 1 – 6
Fiona Rowe (Co-opted member)	Present for notes 4
Eugene Tang	Present for notes 1 – 6
Elizabeth Taylor	Present for notes 1 – 6
Kaye Wood	Present for notes 1 – 6

<b>In attendance:</b>		
Bernard Higgins	Clinical Director & Guideline Lead, NGC	Present for notes 1 – 6
Nancy Pursey	Senior Project Manager, NGC	Present for notes 1 – 6
Joseph Runicles	Information Specialist, NGC	Present for notes 4
Claire Sloan	Health Economist, NGC	Present for notes 1 – 6
George Wood	Senior Research Fellow, NGC	Present for notes 1 – 6
Madelaine Zucker	Research Fellow, NGC	Present for notes 1 – 6

<b>Apologies:</b>	
Sara Ajina	Committee member
Catherine Ford	Committee member
Richard Francis	Committee member
Rupert Franklin	Senior Guidelines Commissioning Manager, NICE
Jeanette Grocott	Committee member
Kate Lovibond	Health Economics Lead, NGC
Rebecca Palmer	Committee member
Joseph Runicles	Information Specialist, NGC

### **1. Welcome, introductions and objectives for the meeting**

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the sixth meeting of the Stroke rehabilitation (update) committee.

The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received. These are noted above. NP confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting, which included: review evidence for tools for assessment of fatigue, review draft protocols for routine orthoptic assessment, self-care management and robot-assisted arm training.

### **2. Confirmation of matter under discussion, and declarations of interest**

The Chair confirmed that, for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest, the matters under discussion were: tools for assessment of fatigue, orthoptic assessment, self-care management and robot-assisted arm training.

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have arisen since the previous meeting. SH declared that he has been appointed to a NICE committee to revise a section of the intracerebral haemorrhage guidance. MC declared that he is an evidence reviewer for the National Institute for Health Research and has reviewed a research paper authored by Fiona Rowe about visual challenges post-stroke. MC declared that he is a patient expert on the NICE Scientific Advice project for secondary stroke prevention. MC will provide text for the declarations of interest register. MC declared he is an evidence reviewer for the National Institute for Health Research and has reviewed a paper authored by Fiona Rowe. NM declared she is a member of the external reference group for Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme / Intercollegiate Stroke Working Party as a representative of the Northern Ireland Multidisciplinary Association for Stroke Teams

The declarations of interest register was reviewed prior to the meeting. The Chair and Guideline Lead noted that the interests declared did not prevent the attendees

from fully participating in the meeting.

### **3. Evidence review: tools for assessment of fatigue**

GW and CS presented the clinical and cost effectiveness evidence for tools for assessment of fatigue. The committee discussed the evidence and draft recommendations.

### **4. Draft protocols**

GW and MZ led a discussion on the draft protocols for the following review topics: routine orthoptic assessment, self-care management, and robot-assisted arm training.

### **5. SharePoint demonstration**

NP gave a demonstration of the NGC SharePoint site.

### **6. AOB**

The committee noted that the longer duration of the guideline development requires more meeting attendance from committee members. Meeting attendance will be monitored.

**Date of next meeting:** 12 November 2021, 1000-1600

**Location of next meeting:** Remote meeting